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Docket No.: 54570US002

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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DRISCOLL, STEPHEN R. HARTSHORN and
MORGAN J. TAMSKY

Serial No.: 09/299,965
Filed: April 26, 1999

For: CURABLE MECHANICAL
FASTENERS

Group Art Unit: 1733

Examiner: J. Gallagher

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed November 19, 2002, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. Entry of the amendments and reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections for the reasons discussed below are respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please ~~cancel~~ claims 4-6 without prejudice.

Please ~~amend~~ claims 1, 7-10, 12 and 26 as follows:

(Twice Amended) A curable mechanical fastener comprising:

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